Global Youth Leaders Summit 2019

**Transforming VISION into ACTION through SOCIAL INNOVATION**

13 – 18 July 2019, Hong Kong

“Global Youth Leaders Summit 2019: Transforming VISION into ACTION through SOCIAL INNOVATION” will be held at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University in Hong Kong (13-18 July 2019).

Vision for a better community is only as valuable as it is actionable and innovative. The Summit aims to provide a unique platform for youth leaders around the world to exchange experience and ideas, and empower them to realise their vision for a better community. Last year, the Summit attracted over 120 youth leaders from 30 countries and regions. Through inspiring keynotes from world-renowned speakers, workshops, and training sessions, the youth leaders generated cross-border projects during the Summit and actualising them through international partnerships, and transforming their VISION into ACTION.

Entering its third year, the Summit focuses on inspiring and facilitating youth leaders around the world to come up with innovative and collaborative ways to meet societal needs in a global context. Participants will participate in a series of keynote lectures, workshops and training sessions, discussions, and site visits, where they interact and collaborate with other youth leaders from around the world, and generate ideas and proposals to resolve current global and social challenges. Participants will present their proposals in a final presentation competition; outstanding proposals will have the opportunity to showcase their ideas after the Summit.

**Distinguishing Features of the Summit:**

- **Global Connection and Ideas**
  The Summit will gather over 100 youth leaders who are committed to the betterment of the global community from all over the world to share their experience and ideas for addressing social challenges

- **Global Leader Lectures**
  Youth leaders will hear eminent global leaders’ keynote lectures and youth social innovators on how to realise their vision

- **Social Innovation Training Sessions and Workshops**
  The Summit invites experienced community leaders, practitioners, and social innovators to guide and lead youth leaders in transforming their vision into action in a cross-cultural and cross-disciplinary setting.

**Sub-themes:**

- Poverty alleviation
- Quality education for all
- Sustainable community
### Event Programme (Tentative)

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| 12 July | Arrival in Hong Kong  
|        | Welcome Dinner                                                         |
| 13 July | Opening Ceremony  
|        | Keynote Lecture  
|        | **IGNITE PASSION, CLEAR VISION**  
|        | Panel Session:  
|        | **JOURNEY FROM VISION TO ACTION**  
|        | Youth Innovators’ Open Forum  
|        | **VISUALISE SOLUTIONS, SWING INTO ACTION**  
|        | Mentoring Session:  
|        | **GET TO KNOW YOUR GLOBAL FRIENDS**  |
| 14 July | **GEAR UP!**  
|        | Parallel Thematic Workshops: Creative Design Thinking  
|        | **BE INSPIRED TO ACT**  
|        | Parallel Thematic Workshops: Social Innovation and Community Engagement in a Global Context  
|        | Mentoring Session:  
|        | **SYNERGISE ALL YOU’VE GOT: PASSION, VISION, SKILLS, AND NETWORK**  |
| 15 July | **SEE IT IN HONG KONG!**  
|        | Community Engagement Projects and Parallel Thematic Site Studies  
|        | Mentoring Session:  
|        | **GET YOUR HANDS DIRTY ON YOUR SOCIAL INNOVATION**  |
| 16 July | Presentation / Prototype Preparation  |
| 17 July | **GET READY TO ACT!**  
|        | Parallel Presentations: Social Innovation Competition  
|        | **LEADERS’ DIALOGUE: The Way Ahead to ACTION**  
|        | Closing Dinner and Award Ceremony  |
| 18 July | Cultural Visits in Hong Kong  |
| 19 July | Depart from Hong Kong  |

**Inquiry**

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